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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, OGEN

SUBJECT: HIJACKING OF BRITISH AIRWAYS VC-10

1. PLANE WAS HIJACKED IN ABU DHABI AT 0600Z BY GROUP BELIEVED TO BE QUOTE IRAQUI REJECTION FRONT END QUOTE. GROUP NOW ON GROUND IN TUNIS, IS BELIEVED TO BE ASKING FOR RELEASE OF TERRORISTS INVOLVED IN SAUDI EMBASSY TAKEOVER IN KHARTOUM LAST YEAR AS WELL AS OTHERS.

2. POSTS SHOULD BE ALERT TO POSSIBLE SECOND ACTION BY GROUP OR ITS SYMPATHIZERS TO GAIN ADDITIONAL BARGAINING LEVERAGE IF NEGOTIATIONS IN TUNIS DO NOT PROGRESS. TERRORISTS USED THIS TACTIC SUCCESSFULLY WHEN NEGOTIATIONS STALLED DURING SINGAPORE FERRY SEIZURE AND THEIR SUPPORTERS TOOK OVER JAPANESE EMBASSY IN KUWAIT. INGERSOLL

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